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DEVELOPMENT OF HERITAGE SITES
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of heritage sites developed/being developed by the National Culture Fund in Maharashtra;
- (b) the quantum of funds provided by NCF to these heritage sites;
- (c) the details of heritage sites being developed or proposed to be developed by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) through Japanese Trust Fund in the country particularly in Maharashtra; and
- (d) the funds received for these sites from JTF?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

- (a) Shaniwarwada in Pune, and Kanheri Caves near Mumbai both Centrally protected monument have been identified for development under the National Culture Fund.
- (b) The Pune Municipal Corporation and other agencies have funded works costing Rs.34.18 lakhs for Shaniwarwada, Pune But no fund has been identified or provided for Kanheri Caves.
- (c) In phase I of the project, the Ajanta and Ellora caves have been selected for overall upgradation, whereas Pithalkora caves in Aurangabad district have been identified for geological studies.
- (d) During 2001-2002, an expenditure of Rs.7.29 crores has been incurred for reimbursement under terms and conditions applicable to the project.